



United States Department of the Interior

**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Cape Cod National Seashore
99 Marconi Site Road
Wellfleet, MA 02667**

IN REPLY REFER TO:
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Wellfleet Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
300 Main Street
Wellfleet, MA 02667

Dear Board members:

This is an auspicious moment for Wellfleet in its efforts to preserve the community character evidenced by the hard work of so many dedicated town residents with their town boards on updated zoning solutions. I am writing to confirm Cape Cod National Seashore's (CCNS) support of the proposed zoning Articles 4 and 5 before the Wellfleet Town Meeting on Monday night.

Articles 4 and 5 were based on the foundation of work by the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board along with some very detailed examination of National Seashore Park (NSP) District properties. They provide some flexibility in introducing sliding scales, and build on the current ZBA process of review. They represent the best reflection of needed changes to address building scale and mass and retain community character as envisioned in the park legislation and the federal zoning standards regulation for the National Seashore. We affirm that we will recommend to the Secretary of Interior's Office that these changes be approved.

We continue to be concerned that Article 6 and 7 propose conflicting text, and believe that simply striking the NSP District references within those two articles on town meeting floor or postponing the articles would be preferable rather than introduce some conflicting standards with the National Seashore's legislation and regulation, and the introduction of a new site plan process for the NSP District.

We applaud the town's efforts and continue to support Articles 4 and 5 as proposed in the fall Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Sincerely,

George E. Price, Jr.
Superintendent

cc:

Mark Forest, Chief of Staff, Congressman Delahunt

Ronald Kaufman, Chairman, Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission

Rex Peterson, Wellfleet Assistant Town Administrator

Denny O'Connell, Chair, Wellfleet Planning Board